

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

December 14, 2009
Monday, 7 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Law called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

RANDY CORMAN, Council President; GREG TAYLOR; RICH ZWICKER; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON; MARCIE PALMER.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; MARK BARBER, Assistant City Attorney; JASON SETH, Deputy City Clerk; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; IWEN WANG, Finance and Information Services Administrator; TERRY HIGASHIYAMA, Community Services Administrator; PREETI SHRIDHAR, Communications Director; SUZANNE DALE ESTEY, Economic Development Director; CHIP VINCENT, Planning Director; FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR I. DAVID DANIELS and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR DEBORAH NEEDHAM, FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT; CHIEF KEVIN MILOSEVICH, DEPUTY CHIEF TIM TROXEL and COMMANDER KENT CURRY, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

Meeghan Black Week -
December 13 - 19, 2009

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring the week of December 13 to December 19, 2009, to be "Meeghan Black Week" in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Meeghan Black accepted the proclamation with appreciation.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

CED: Neighborhood Program
Year in Review

Neighborhood Program Assistant Wendy Kirchner reported that the Neighborhood Program began with a vision to promote positive communication between residents and City government. She stated that the program encompasses the entire City and there are now 57 officially recognized neighborhoods. Ms. Kirchner reported that the program hosted 18 picnics serving 36 neighborhoods in 2009. She thanked City officials and staff who volunteered at the picnics. Ms. Kirchner also reported that a total of \$82,000 was awarded in 2009 for 20 neighborhood project and 12 communication grants.

Neighborhood Program Coordinator Norma McQuiller awarded Certificates of Recognition to the leaders of the different neighborhood associations.

Fire: National Weather System
(NWS) Storm Readiness Rating

Emergency Management Director Deborah Needham reported that the City has achieved the distinction of becoming a *StormReady* community from the National Weather Service. She thanked Emergency Management Coordinator Mindi Mattson for spearheading the effort and introduced Ted Buehner from the National Weather Service.

Mr. Buehner explained that *StormReady* is a nationwide National Weather Service program that began in 1999. He remarked that there are over 1,500 *StormReady* communities across the nation and that Renton is the 44th in the state and fifth in King County. Mr. Buehner also explained that the program recognizes emergency management programs for communities that meet the

following five elements: 1) 24-Hour Emergency Operations Center, 2) Multiple ways to receive National Weather Service warnings and have the ability to disseminate the messages throughout the community, 3) Ability to monitor local weather conditions including river conditions, 4) Formal hazardous weather operations plan, including response and recovery, as well as exercises to test and improve the plan long-term, and 5) Community education preparedness program to help raise public awareness.

Concluding, Mr. Buehner stated that Washington State has averaged just over one Presidentially declared weather related disaster per year since 1950. He pointed out that as a *StormReady* community, residents may benefit from reduced insurance rates and the potential for increased home sales. Mr. Buehner presented Council with two *StormReady* traffic signs.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Mathias -
Greater Fairwood Community
Proposed Election

Richard Mathias (King County) suggested separating Renton into zones or precincts with a designated elected official for each area. He also suggested retaining the Fairwood library and the Fire District #40 aid car. Mr. Mathias opined that these suggestions would make the idea of annexation to Renton more appealing for area voters.

Citizen Comment: Petersen -
Greater Fairwood Community
Proposed Election

Linda Petersen (King County) stated that she believes citizens in the Fairwood area will be better served by annexation to Renton and expressed support for placing the question of annexation for the entire Fairwood potential annexation area on the ballot in August or November of 2010. Ms. Peterson also requested that the City provide factual information to area residents and respond to incorrect and false statements made during the Fairwood incorporation effort.

Citizen Comment: Winter -
Allow On-leash Dogs in
Northern-most Portion of
Coulon Beach Park

Marlene Winter (Renton) expressed appreciation for the new off-leash dog park. She stated that she resides near the north entry of Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park and requested an opportunity to work with the Community Services Department to develop a plan to allow dogs in the northern-most portion of the park.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THIS ITEM (ALLOWING ON-LEASH DOGS IN THE NORTHERN-MOST PORTION OF GENE COULON MEMORIAL BEACH PARK) TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

Citizen Comment: Campbell -
Greater Fairwood Community
Proposed Election

James Campbell (King County) remarked that he lives on Shady Lake in the Fairwood area. He shared his experiences as an original Shady Lake Community Council member and noted that the community has held an annual public fishing derby for the past 23 years. He opined that residents in the Shady Lake area are ready to become a part of Renton. Mr. Campbell also noted that there is land available to create a community park in the area.

Citizen Comment: Mankowski
- Greater Fairwood
Community Proposed Election

Manny Mankowski (King County) remarked that he would like to see the entire Fairwood area annexed to Renton and stated that the only way to achieve that goal is to annex the Red Mill area or redraw the boundaries, and then annex the rest of the area at a later date. He remarked that he believes attempting to annex the entire area at one time will ultimately be unsuccessful.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Meeting Minutes of
12/7/2009

Approval of Council meeting minutes of 12/7/2009. Council concur.

Appointment: Municipal Arts Commission	Mayor Law reappointed the following individuals to the Municipal Arts Commission for three-year terms expiring 12/31/2012: Britt McKenzie (Peterson), Evelyn Reingold, and Wesley Van Doren. Council concur.
CAG: 09-171, 2009 Earlington Sanitary Sewer Improvements, Laser Underground & Earthworks	City Clerk reported bid opening on 12/8/2009 for CAG-09-171, 2009 Earlington Water and Sanitary Sewer Improvements; 16 bids; engineer's estimate \$3,356,305.74; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc., in the amount of \$2,162,511.12. Council concur.
Executive: Office Assistant I Hire, Print Shop	Executive Department recommended hiring a part-time Office Assistant I to assist with mail handling services. Council concur.
Executive: DI950 Mail Inserting System, Pitney Bowes	Executive Department recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$29,409 with Pitney Bowes to purchase a DI950 Mail Inserting System to replace the current equipment in the print shop. Council concur.
Community Services: City Hall Fifth & Sixth Floor Remodel, Landon Construction Group	Community Services Department reported bid opening on 11/10/2009 for the City Hall Fifth and Sixth Floor Remodel project; five bids; engineer's estimate \$145,000; and submitted recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Landon Construction Group, in the amount of \$132,537. Council concur.
CAG: 09-081, 2010 Basic Life Support Services, King County	Fire and Emergency Services Department recommended approval of Amendment #1 to CAG-09-081, to accept \$1,160,946 from King County for basic life support services for 2010. The City's share will be \$860,223, King County Fire District #25 \$101,719, and King County Fire District #40, \$199,004. Council concur.
Police: Jail Health Services, Occupational Health Services	Police Department recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$206,121 with Occupational Health Services (Public Hospital District No. 1 of King County) for health services for Renton jail inmates for 2010. Council concur.
CAG: 09-092, 2009 Street Overlay With Curb Ramps, Western Asphalt	Transportation Systems Division submitted CAG-09-092, 2009 Street Overlay with Curb Ramps, and requested approval of the project, final pay estimate in the amount of \$27,934.39, and commencement of a 60-day lien period, with Western Asphalt, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.
CAG: 09-134, Phase I Surface Water Utility Storm System Mapping, Marshall & Associates	Utility Systems Division recommended approval of Addendum #1 to CAG-09-134, with Marshall and Associates, in the amount of \$119,518 to assist with additional scoped data collection and extend the contract through 12/31/2010. Council concur.
Utility: Hawk's Landing Storm & Water Improvements Design, Gray & Osborne	Utility Systems Division recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$115,775 with Gray and Osborne, Inc. for the design, permitting, and preparation of plans and specifications for the Lake Washington Blvd. Hawk's Landing Storm and Water System Improvement project. Council concur.
	MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**Community Services
Committee**

Appointment: Airport Advisory
Committee

Community Services Committee Chair Briere presented a report recommending concurrence in two appointments by Mayor Law to the Airport Advisory Committee as follows: Robert Brahm (Airport-at-Large primary position), and Ulf Goranson (Airport-at-Large alternate position) for terms expiring on 5/7/2012.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Finance Committee

Human Resources: 2010
Claims Processing, Healthcare
Management Administrators

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve an agreement with Healthcare Management Administrators (HMA) in the amount of \$332,748 for 2010, for administration of the medical and dental claims, the rights to use the Regence Preferred Provider Network, as well as utilization/large case management, COBRA and HIPAA administrative services for City employees and LEOFF 1 retirees. The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the agreement.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Lease: Park & Ride Garage
Agreement, City Center
Parking Garage, King County,
LAG-04-003

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the one-year lease amendment for parking spaces at the City Center Parking Garage with King County METRO for payments of \$3,750 per month.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

City Clerk: eCityGov Alliance
Small Works Roster &
Processes

Finance Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to establish Small Works Roster and Limited Public Works processes, and authorize use of all eCityGov Alliance rosters for City purchases and contracting, within the limits allowed by law. The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 384 for resolution.)

**Transportation (Aviation)
Committee**

Lease: Airport Time Extension,
Bosair LLC, LAG-86-003

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Palmer recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve a request for a 10-year lease extension to Bosair, LLC's lease. The Committee further recommended authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Operating Permit and Agreement with Bosair, LLC.

MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**RESOLUTIONS AND
ORDINANCES****RESOLUTION #4028**

Annexation: Greater Fairwood
Community Proposed Election

The following resolutions were presented for reading and adoption:

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REVISE THE ELECTION DATE FOR THE FAIRWOOD ANNEXATION TO NOVEMBER 2, 2010. CARRIED.

A resolution was read calling for the annexation, by election, of contiguous unincorporated territory to the City of Renton and referred to as the Fairwood Annexation; stating the number of registered voters residing therein as nearly as may be; calling for an election on 11/2/2010, to submit to voters of the

the King County Boundary Review Board a Notice of Intention as well as to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of County Commissioners of King County and the King County Boundary Review Board, and to take those actions necessary to place Proposition 1 before the voters, including the preparation of information for the voter's pamphlet. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Council President Corman clarified for the record that all references to the election date within the resolution will be revised to reflect 11/2/2009.

RESOLUTION #4029

City Clerk: eCityGov Alliance
Small Works Roster &
Processes

A resolution was read establishing a Small Public Works Roster process to solicit public works project bids for contracts estimated to cost less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) and Limited Public Works process for bids estimated to cost less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000). MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading:

ORDINANCE #5513

Budget: 2009 Final
Amendment

An ordinance was read amending the City of Renton 2009 Annual Budget as adopted by Ordinance No. 5423 and thereafter amended by Ordinances 5441, 5451, 5455, 5464, and 5483 in the amount of \$7,580,596 for a total amended appropriation of \$288,880,820. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5514

CED: Issaquah, Kent & Renton
School District Impact Fees

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 1, Administration and Enforcement, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, setting the impact fee at \$3,344 per new single-family home in the Issaquah School District; setting the impact fee at \$5,394 per new single-family home and \$3,322 per new multi-family home in the Kent School District; setting the impact fee at \$6,310 per new single-family home and \$1,258 per new multi-family home in the Renton School District; and adopting the Capital Facilities Plans for the school districts within the City of Renton. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5515

CED: Title IV (Development
Regulations), #D-07, Alleys in
the RC, R-1, R-4 Zones

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 7, Subdivision Regulations, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to clarify that alley networks are not a general requirement with the residential low density land use designation implemented by the Resource Conservation (RC), Residential - 1 (One Dwelling Unit per Net Acre) (R-1), and Residential - 4 (Four Dwelling Units per Net Acre) (R-4) zones. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5516

CED: Title IV (Development
Regulations), #D-16,
Comprehensive Plan & Title IV
Amendment Process

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 8, Permits - General and Appeals, and Chapter 9, Permits - Specific, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to amend the processes related to amending the Comprehensive Plan and the Title IV Development Regulations. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5517

CED: Title IV (Development Regulations), #D-20, Complete Streets

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 4, City-Wide Property Development Standards, and Chapter 6, Street and Utility Standards, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to update minimum street design standards with complete streets principles to enable safe and convenient access and travel for all users, and to foster a sense of place in the public realm with attractive design amenities. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5518

CED: Title IV (Development Regulations), #D-23B & #D-23C, Cottage Housing / Small Lot Designs & Residential Design Standards

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 2, Zoning Districts - Uses and Standards, Chapter 3, Environmental Regulations and Overlay Districts, Chapter 4, City-Wide Property Development Standards, Chapter 9, Permits - Specific, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to amend the regulations regarding residential development in the R-4 (Four Dwelling Units per Net Acre), R-8 (Eight Dwelling Units per Net Acre), R-10 (10 Dwelling Units per Net Acre), and R-14 (14 Dwelling Units per Net Acre) zones. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5519

CED: Title IV (Development Regulations), #D-25B, Land Use Permit Procedures

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 2, Zoning Districts - Uses and Standards, Chapter 3, Environmental Regulations and Overlay Districts, Chapter 4, City-Wide Property Development Standards, Chapter 7, Subdivision Regulations, Chapter 8, Permits - General and Appeals, Chapter 9, Permits - Specific, and Chapter 11, Definitions, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to amend Land Use Permit processes. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5520

CED: Title IV (Development Regulations), #D-28 & #D-30, Housing Definitions & Definition of a Lot

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 2, Zoning Districts - Uses and Standards, Chapter 4, City-Wide Property Development Standards, Chapter 8, Permits - General and Appeals, Chapter 9, Permits - Specific, and Chapter 11, Definitions, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to clarify language related to residential unit types, residential uses and lots, parcels, and tracts. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5521

CED: Title IV (Development Regulations), #D-34, County Vesting

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 7, Subdivision Regulations, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to amend the regulations regarding property annexed to the City with preliminary plat approval in County. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ORDINANCE #5522

CED: Title IV (Development Regulations), #D-10, Helipads

An ordinance was read amending chapter 2, Zoning Districts - Uses and Standards, and Chapter 11, Definitions, of Title IV (Development Regulations), of City Code, to allow helipads as part of a medical institution use and remove the use from the Commercial Arterial (CA) zone. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL. ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Works: Use of Salt for Snow & Ice Removal

Responding to an inquiry from Councilmember Palmer, Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman stated that the City is not currently using salt for ice and snow operations. He remarked that a cost and benefit analysis is being prepared. Mr. Zimmerman also commented that most of the environmental resource agencies feel that salt is probably less harmful to the environment than sand because sand can wash into rivers and surface water bodies and interfere with nesting salmon and other fish.

AUDIENCE COMMENT:

Citizen Comment: McOmber -
Greater Fairwood Community
Proposed Election

Howard McOmber (Renton) opined that the best way for Fairwood to remain as it is today, is for it to become a neighborhood of Renton. He remarked that there is always a lot of discussion and fervor going on in the Highlands, but area residents are happy to be a part of Renton. He thanked City officials and staff for their hard work and dedication to the City.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY TAYLOR, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.

Time: 8:20 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jason A. Seth", is written over a horizontal line.

Jason A. Seth, Deputy City Clerk

Jason Seth, Recorder
December 14, 2009

RENTON CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR
Office of the City Clerk
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULED AT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 14, 2009

COMMITTEE/CHAIRMAN	DATE/TIME	AGENDA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (Corman)	MON., 12/21	CANCELED
	MON., 12/28	NO MEETINGS (COUNCIL HOLIDAY)
	MON., 1/4	CANCELED
COMMUNITY SERVICES (Briere)		
FINANCE (Persson)	MON., 1/4 6:30 p.m.	Vouchers
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT (Parker)	THURS., 12/17 9:00 a.m.	Real Estate Kiosk Memorandum of Use Agreement; Process for Remanding Planning Commission Recommendations
PUBLIC SAFETY (Taylor)	MON., 1/4	CANCELED
TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) (Palmer)		
UTILITIES (Zwicker)		

NOTE: Committee of the Whole meetings are held in the Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. All other committee meetings are held in the Council Conference Room unless otherwise noted.